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Title METHOD FOR SEPARATING BACKGROUND SPRITE AND FOREGROUND OBJECT AND METHOD FOR EXTRACTING SEGMENTATION MASK AND THE APPARATUS		Applicant(s) Kumi JINZENJI et al.	

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